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SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

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This invention provides a pair of protective pants, such as firefighter's pants or rescue worker's pants, which provides improved, below-knee protection for a wearer. The pair of protective pants has an upper portion, which when worn covers a lower region of a wearer's torso, and two leg portions, each of which when worn covers one of the wearer's legs.

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As shown in the drawings, a pair of protective pants 10, such as firefighter's pants or rescue worker's pants, has an upper portion 12, which when covers a lower region of a wearer's torso, and two leg portions 14, each of which when worn covers one of the wearer's legs. Each leg portion 14 has an upper region 16, which extends downwardly from the upper portion 12, and a lower region 18, which extends upwardly from a lower end 20 of said leg portion 14 to the upper region 16 and which terminates not higher than where said leg portion 14 when worn covers the wearer's knee. As contemplated by this invention, the lower region 18 of each leg portion 14 has an outer layer 22 of puncture-resistant material, which layer 22 is made from a cloth fabric and surrounds the lower region 18 of said leg portion 14.